CHAPTER NO. 374

HOUSE BILL NO. 2191

By Representative Kernell

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2022

By Senator Harper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29, relative to continuation of certain governmental entities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-104, is amended by adding the following new subsection thereto:

(f) Notwithstanding the provisions of § 4-29-115 or any other provision of law to the contrary, if the evaluation committee created in § 4-29-103 has not completed a public hearing regarding a governmental entity and such entity is due to terminate on or by June 30, 2005, then such entity shall be extended for one (1) year, or until the committee conducts a public hearing and the general assembly acts to terminate, continue, reestablish or restructure the governmental entity, whichever occurs first. If such hearing and action by the general assembly does not occur prior to June 30, 2006, then any entity continued pursuant to this subsection is terminated and shall wind up its affairs pursuant to § 4-29-112. The Tennessee code commission is specifically authorized to revise the termination date of any governmental entity subject to the provisions of this subsection.

SECTION 2. It is the intent of the general assembly that the TennCare claims processing panel, created by § 56-32-226 and subject to review and termination by the Governmental Entity Review law, compiled in title 4, chapter 29, be renamed the selection panel for TennCare reviewers. The Tennessee code commission is hereby directed to change any references to the TennCare claims processing panel in Tennessee Code Annotated to the selection panel for TennCare reviewers.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 25, 2005

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 7th day of June 2005

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR